



# ARIZONA



## COUNTER-TERRORISM INFORMATION CENTER

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### Foiled Attack against US Airlines originating from Heathrow International Airport, United Kingdom

#### Current Homeland Security Threat Levels

**RED - All flights originating from the UK to the US.**

**ORANGE - All flights within the US.**

The Department of Homeland Security has elevated the Homeland Security Threat Levels. The Threat Level has been changed from YELLOW to RED for all flights originating in the United Kingdom (UK) and bound for the US. The Threat Level has been changed from YELLOW to ORANGE within the US for all domestic flights. These changes were due to an investigation in the UK involving a plot to bomb an unknown number of flights originating from London's Heathrow International Airport. Several US airlines were targeted including United, Continental, and American. It is believed that some of these flights were bound for airports in California, New York, and Washington DC.

Open source media reports are indicating the plot involved unidentified Improvised Explosive Devices' that were to be brought onboard the aircraft and detonated sometime during the flight. The media is specifically mentioning a ban on all liquid items possibly indicating a liquid based explosive.

The Arizona Counter-Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC) is currently monitoring the situation and is in contact with local FBI officials, and Department of Homeland Security officials. At this time there is **NO** Arizona connection with the current situation developing in the United Kingdom.

Citizens who are planning on traveling for the next few days are encouraged to contact the airport they are traveling from, their airline, or the Transportation Security Agency for information related to current travel restrictions and delays.

Citizens are also encouraged to report any suspicious activity that could possibly be connected to terrorism. Such incidents may include but are not limited the following;

- Open support for any terrorist organization such as **Al Qaeda**.
- Multiple forms of identification with different names, dates of birth, etc.
- Attempts to obtain hazardous materials that could be used to make explosives.
- Any attempts to circumvent airport security.
- Anyone who exhibits secretive or paranoid behavior around law enforcement officials.

Citizens can report any information regarding possible suspicious activity to the Arizona Counter-Terrorism Information Center at 602-644-5805 or 1-877-2-SAVE-AZ, or [actic@azdps.gov](mailto:actic@azdps.gov).